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1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.
2. SUMMARY. CHARGE DELIVERED TWO STRONGLY-WORDED
DIPLOMATIC NOTES TO THE MFA ON JULY 3 PROTESTING THE

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SHOOTING ON JUNE 7 BY PLA SOLDIERS OF 11 AMERICAN OCCUPIED APARTMENTS IN THE DIPLOMATIC HOUSING COMPLEX; AND THE INCREASED SECURITY AROUND THE U.S. EMBASSY. MFA OFFICIAL REVEALED NEW INFORMATION THAT THERE WERE SHOTS FROM BUILDINGS ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE DIPLOMATIC COMPLEX, BUT DID NOT KNOW WHO FIRED THE SHOTS. THE OFFICIAL ALSO SAID THAT THE INCREASED NUMBER OF GUARDS AT THE U.S. EMBASSY WAS FOR THE EMBASSY'S PROTECTION.

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3. PARTY GENERAL SECRETARY JIANG ZEMIN TOLD SENIOR OFFICIALS JULY 1 (PARTY DAY) THAT PARTY DISCIPLINE MUST BE MAINTAINED. A UNITED PARTY FULLY SUPPORTING THE PARTY IDEOLOGY AS DEFINED BY DENG XIAOPING IS ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE AGAINST "COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY REBELLIONS." THERE ARE REPORTS THAT THE PARTY IS FORCING GROUPS TO STUDY DENG'S SPEECH.

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4. THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT HAS NOW CLAIMED THAT ONLY 36 STUDENTS DIED DURING THE DEMONSTRATIONS. THE OFFICIAL PRESS HAS ALSO ADMITTED, HOWEVER, THAT SOME INNOCENT STUDENTS WERE KILLED BY MISTAKE.

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5. AN ABC PRODUCER, TEMPORARILY DETAINED FOR CONFIDENTIAL

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VIOLATING MARTIAL LAW BY FILMING IN BEIJING, HAS FINALLY RECEIVED HIS PASSPORT AND IS EXPECTED TO DEPART CHINA JULY 4. LOCAL OFFICIALS CONFIRM THAT THREE AMCITS DETAINED FOR COLLECTING COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY MATERIAL AND POSSESSING FALSE STUDENT I.D. CARDS HAVE DEPARTED CHINA. AN MFA OFFICIAL TOLD A DIPLOMAT RESIDENT IN BEIJING THAT STUDENT "DEMOCRACY FIGHTERS" WERE FRIENDS OF MRS. LORD, WIFE OF THE FORMER U.S. AMBASSADOR. A CHINESE-AMERICAN EXPRESSED HIS SUPPORT FOR THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND SAID AMERICANS DID NOT UNDERSTAND THE "TURMOIL" IN CHINA.

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6. CHINA REPORTED THAT THE UNDP HAS APPROVED A USD 57 MILLION FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM IN CHINA. DENG XIAOPING HAS CONFERRED POSTHUMOUS HONORS ON TEN SOLDIERS KILLED DURING THE DEMONSTRATIONS. NPC CHAIRMAN WAN LI AND SENIOR OFFICIAL WU XUEQIAN MET SEPARATELY WITH VISITING LOW-LEVEL DELEGATIONS IN THE PRC'S EFFORT TO DEMONSTRATE FOREIGN SUPPORT FOR CHINA'S ACTIONS JUNE 3-4.

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7. THE MFA HAS DENIED THAT THE CHINESE ASKED THE SOVIETS FOR INCREASED AID TO MAKE-UP FOR ITS LOSS OF AID FROM THE WEST. THREE PEOPLE CAUGHT BY STUDENTS

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FOR DEFACING MAO'S PORTRAIT IN TIANANMEN SQUARE ON MAY 23 HAVE BEEN INDICTED AS COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARIES. TIBET IS OPENING TO TOUR GROUPS, BUT THERE IS NO WORD ON THE END OF MARTIAL LAW THERE. CHINA IS WORRIED THAT THE INTERNATIONAL ASTRONAUTICAL FEDERATION MAY CHANGE THE VENUE FOR ITS ANNUAL MEETING, SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE IN BEIJING THIS YEAR.

END SUMMARY.

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CHARGE DELIVERS STRONGLY WORDED DEMARCHE TO MFA ON
INCREASED SECURITY AND SHOOTING OF DIPLOMATIC COMPOUND

8. CHARGE BURGHARDT DELIVERED TWO STRONGLY-WORDED
DIPLOMATIC NOTES TO MFA PROTOCOL DIRECTOR JIANG KAN
ON JULY 3 PROTESTING: 1) THE JUNE 7 SHOOTING OF THE
JIANGUOMENWAI DIPLOMATIC HOUSING COMPLEX, IN WHICH //
U.S. OCCUPIED APARTMENTS WERE HIT BY BULLETS; AND
2) THE INCREASED SECURITY AROUND THE EMBASSY. JIANG
RESTATED THE GOVERNMENT'S POSITION THAT A PLA SOLDIER
WAS INJURED BY A SNIPER FROM THE JIANGUOMENWAI
COMPLEX AND THAT SOLDIERS RETURNED FIRE AND SEARCHED
THE DIPLOMATIC COMPOUND. THE CHARGE SHOWED A SET OF
BOOKS FROM ONE OF THE U.S.-OCCUPIED APARTMENTS IN
WHICH ONE BULLET HAD GONE THROUGH TWO OF THE BOOKS
AND LODGED IN A THIRD. THIS WAS CLEARLY A HORIZONTAL
TRAJECTORY; THE BULLET HAD NOT BEEN FIRED FROM A
SOLDIER AT STREET LEVEL. JIANG REVEALED NEW
INFORMATION, STATING THAT SHOTS HAD IN FACT BEEN
FIRED FROM A BUILDING ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE
DIPLOMATIC HOUSING COMPLEX. HOWEVER, HE SAID IT WAS
NOT KNOWN WHO FIRED THE SHOTS.

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9. ON INCREASED SECURITY AROUND THE EMBASSY, JIANG
SAID THE GUARDS, WITH MACHINE GUNS, ARE THERE TO
PROTECT THE EMBASSY. REPORTING CABLE OF THE MEETING
WILL FOLLOW SEPTEL, AS WILL TEXTS OF OUR DIPLOMATIC
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/ PARTY GENERAL SECRETARY JIANG ZEMIN EMPHASIZES PARTY DISCIPLINE ON 68TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PARTY

10. JULY 1 EVENING NEWS AND JULY 2 PRINT MEDIA GAVE PROMINENT COVERAGE TO PARTY GENERAL SECRETARY JIANG ZEMIN'S SPEECH TO SENIOR PARTY OFFICIALS AT ZHONGNANHAI ON JULY 1. ON THE 68TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY IN CHINA, JIANG ZEMIN TOLD THE GROUP THAT STRONG PARTY DISCIPLINE WAS IMPORTANT. JIANG ZEMIN SAID THAT WHILE THE PARTY AND THE STATE SURVIVED THE RECENT "COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY REBELLION", GLARING WEAKNESSES WERE REVEALED AS A RESULT OF FORMER GENERAL SECRETARY ZHAO ZIYANG'S NEGLIGENCE TOWARD "PARTY BUILDING", DISCIPLINE AND UNITY. THE NEW GENERAL SECRETARY EMPHASIZED THAT IT WAS ESSENTIAL THAT THESE WEAKNESSES BE CORRECTED. HE AND FELLOW STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBER SONG PING REPEATEDLY TOLD THE GROUP THAT "WITHOUT THE PARTY THERE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN THE GREAT BENEFITS AND THE REVOLUTIONARY OPENING OF A NEW SOCIALIST CHINA."

/ 11. IN RELATED NEWS, CHINESE MEDIA REPORTED THAT VARIOUS GROUPS THROUGHOUT THE NATION WERE DILIGENTLY STUDYING DENG XIAOPING'S RECENT SPEECH ON THE FOUR PRINCIPLES. A CONTACT TOLD EMBOFF THAT UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ARE BEING REQUIRED TO WRITE ESSAYS ON THE SIGNIFICANCE OF DENG'S SPEECH. EMBASSY'S AGRICULTURE SECTION WAS ALSO INFORMED BY BEIJING'S LARGEST LIVESTOCK COMPANY THAT THEY COULD NOT MEET WITH THE EMBASSY BECAUSE THEY WERE BUSILY STUDYING DENG'S SPEECH.

/ EDITORIAL CALLS FOR DISCIPLINE

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12. THE JULY 1 PEOPLE'S DAILY CARRIED AN EDITORIAL
ON THE OCCASION OF THE PARTY'S 68TH ANNIVERSARY,
URGING THE STRENGTHENING OF PARTY SPIRIT AS "A MATTER
OF LIFE AND DEATH." THE EDITORIAL SAID THAT RECENT
DEMONSTRATIONS HAVE "REMINDED US THAT THERE ARE
HOSTILE FORCES BOTH AT HOME AND ABROAD WHICH ARE
FRENZIEDLY OPPOSING US...AND THAT THE DISTURBANCE WAS

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CLOSELY RELATED TO LAXITY IN OUR PARTY." THE EDITORIAL STRESSED THE NEED FOR THE COUNTRY TO ADHERE TO THE FOUR CARDINAL PRINCIPLES, TO BE UNIFIED AND TO BE DISCIPLINED.

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GOVERNMENT SAYS ONLY 36 STUDENTS DIED

13. THE JULY 2 PEOPLE'S DAILY AND JULY 3 ENGLISH-LANGUAGE CHINA DAILY REPORTED THAT ONLY 36 STUDENTS DIED DURING THE DEMONSTRATIONS. THEIR UNIVERSITY AFFILIATION WAS AS FOLLOWS: SIX FROM PEOPLE'S UNIVERSITY; THREE FROM QINGHUA UNIVERSITY, THREE FROM BEIJING UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, TWO EACH FROM BEIJING UNIVERSITY, BEIJING TEACHERS' UNIVERSITY, AND FIVE OTHER UNIVERSITIES, AND ONE EACH FROM TEN MORE UNIVERSITIES. THE NEWS REPORT ADMITTED THAT SOME STUDENTS WERE KILLED BY ACCIDENT, BUT CLAIMED THAT MOST WERE DEMONSTRATORS. PREVIOUSLY, THE PRC GOVERNMENT HAD ADMITTED TO 23 STUDENT DEATHS.

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ABC NEWSMAN ALLOWED TO LEAVE

14. UPDATING PREVIOUS SITREPS, ABC NEWS PRODUCER CHRIS ANTONAICCI INFORMED THE EMBASSY PRESS AND CULTURE SECTION THAT THE PUBLIC SECURITY BUREAU HAD FINALLY RETURNED HIS PASSPORT AND THREE CAMERAS. HE PLANS TO LEAVE TOMORROW. ANTONAICCI AND THREE OTHER AMCITS WERE DETAINED LAST WEEK FOR TAKING PICTURES IN VIOLATION OF MARTIAL LAW.

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THREE AMCITS EXPELLED BY PRC HAVE LEFT CHINA

15. UPDATING PREVIOUS SITREPS, EMBASSY CONSULAR SECTION REPORTED (BEIJING /7804) THAT, ACCORDING TO THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICE IN XIAN, THREE AMCITS WHO WERE ASKED TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY FOR COLLECTING "COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY MATERIAL" AND ALLEGEDLY POSSESSING FALSE NANJING UNIVERSITY I.D. CARDS, HAVE DEPARTED CHINA BY WAY OF GUANGZHOU. THE THREE AMCITS WERE DETAINED BY AUTHORITIES IN XIAN.

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MFA PRIVATELY CRITICAL OF MRS. LORD FOR INVOLVEMENT WITH STUDENTS

16. A SOUTHEAST ASIAN DIPLOMAT TOLD EMBOFF RECENTLY THAT, WHEN HIS COUNTRY WAS CALLED INTO THE MFA JUNE 14 TO HEAR THE OFFICIAL VERSION OF WHAT HAPPENED AT TIANANMEN, A SENIOR ASIAN DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL MADE

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SOME CRITICAL REFERENCES TO THE WIFE OF FORMER AMBASSADOR LORD. THE MFA OFFICIAL SAID THAT, IN THE CONTEXT OF THE RIOTS AND TURMOIL, SOME COUNTRIES HAD INCITED AND ENCOURAGED STUDENT ACTIVITIES, AND THAT THE MAIN CULPRITS WERE THE U.S. AND WESTERN EUROPE.

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A NUMBER OF THE STUDENT "DEMOCRACY FIGHTERS", THE
OFFICIAL ALLEGED, WERE FRIENDS OF MRS. LORD WHO HAD
BEEN PART OF HER SOCIAL CIRCLE AND "LITERARY SALON,"
WHERE THEY LEARNED WESTERN WAYS AND VALUES.

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UNITED NATIONS FUNDS FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM IN CHINA

17. A BRIEF NEWS ITEM CARRIED BY THE JULY 3 PEOPLE'S
DAILY REPORTED THAT THE 48 MEMBER GOVERNING COUNCIL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (UNDP)
APPROVED A UN POPULATION FUND PROPOSAL TO HELP CHINA
ACHIEVE ITS POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES.
THE PROPOSAL INVOLVES U.S. 57 MILLION DOLLARS IN
FUNDING SPREAD OVER FIVE YEARS (1990-94).

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AMERICAN CITIZEN PRAISES CHINESE GOVERNMENT'S POLICIES

18. THE JULY 2 EVENING TELEVISION NEWS COVERED AN
INTERVIEW WITH CHINESE-AMERICAN CHEN YIYUAN,
SUPPOSEDLY THE FIRST AMERICAN TO INVEST IN GUANGDONG
SINCE THE "TURMOIL". CHEN SAID DURING THE INTERVIEW
THAT AMERICANS MISUNDERSTOOD THE TRUTH ABOUT THE
UPHEAVAL IN BEIJING. HE ALSO EXPRESSED HIS SUPPORT
FOR THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY OF OPENNESS.

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DENG XIAOPING CONFERS POSTHUMOUS ORDERS ON TEN
SOLDIERS

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19. THE LEAD STORY ON THE JULY 2 EVENING NEWS AND
JULY 3 PRINT MEDIA WAS THE POSTHUMOUS CONFERRAL OF
THE "GUARDIAN OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA"
AWARD ON TEN SOLDIERS WHO WERE KILLED DURING EVENTS

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NPC CHAIRMAN WAN LI AND WU XUEQIAN MEET VISITING
DELEGATIONS

20. THE JULY 2 PEOPLE'S DAILY REPORTED THAT NATIONAL
PEOPLE'S CONGRESS CHAIRMAN WAN LI MET JULY 1 WITH THE
GUYANESE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATION LED BY ITS
ASSEMBLY SPEAKER SASE NARAIN. THE VISIT WAS AT THE
INVITATION OF THE NPC. POLITBURO MEMBER WU XUEQIAN
MET JULY / WITH A VACATIONING GROUP FROM THE CENTRAL
COMMITTEE OF THE SOCIALIST UNITY PARTY OF THE GERMAN
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, ACCORDING TO THE JUNE 3
ENGLISH-LANGUAGE CHINA DAILY. WU THANKED THE GDR FOR
ITS SUPPORT OF CHINA AND SAID THAT CHINA WILL NOT
GIVE INTO PRESSURE FROM "SOME WESTERN COUNTRIES."
PRESS PLAY ON THE FEW OFFICIAL VISITORS TO CHINA ARE
PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S CONTINUING EFFORT TO
DEMONSTRATE FOREIGN SUPPORT FOR CHINA'S ACTIONS ON
JUNE 3-4.

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CHINA DENIES ASKING SOVIETS FOR INCREASED AID

21. THE FRONT PAGE OF THE JULY 2 PEOPLE'S DAILY
CARRIED AN OFFICIAL MFA DENIAL OF A WESTERN NEWS
AGENCY REPORT THAT CHINA VICE PREMIER TIAN JIYUN HAD
REQUESTED THE SOVIET UNION, THROUGH ITS AMBASSADOR IN
BEIJING, TO "FILL THE GAP" RESULTING FROM THE LOSS OF
WESTERN AID, LOANS AND TECHNOLOGY. THE MFA STATEMENT
DESCRIBED THE REPORT AS A "SHEER FABRICATION."

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THREE PROSECUTED FOR DEFACING MAO'S PORTRAIT

22. THREE PERSONS CAUGHT BY STUDENT DEMONSTRATORS FOR THROWING PAINT ON THE PORTRAIT OF MAO ZEDONG IN TIANANMEN SQUARE ON MAY 23 HAVE BEEN INDICTED FOR "COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY INSTIGATION AND SABOTAGE," ACCORDING TO A JULY / XINHUA NEWS AGENCY REPORT. THE REPORT DID NOT STATE WHEN THE TRIAL WOULD BE HELD OR THE POSSIBLE PUNISHMENT FOR THE THREE ACCUSED PEOPLE, WHOM SOME HAD EARLIER SPECULATED MIGHT BE GOVERNMENT PROVOCATEURS.

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23. THE JULY 3 CHINA DAILY REPORTED THAT THE TRAVEL ADMINISTRATION OF THE TIBET AUTONOMOUS REGION SAID JUNE 30 THAT FOREIGN TOURIST GROUPS, NOT INDIVIDUALS, MAY NOW ENTER TIBET WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE RELEVANT GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS. THE LHASA BRANCH OF THE CHINA INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL SERVICE AND THE TIBET TRAVEL CORPORATION ARE THE ONLY TOUR AGENTS WHICH CAN ARRANGE FOR GROUP TOURS TO TIBET. THE ANNOUNCEMENT DID NOT SAY IF MARTIAL LAW, WHICH WAS IMPOSED LAST MARCH AFTER RIOTS THERE, HAS BEEN LIFTED.

/ CHINA WORRIED ASTRONAUTICAL FEDERATION WILL CANCEL
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ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR BEIJING

24. THE JULY 3 CHINA DAILY REPORTED THAT THE CHINESE ASTRONAUTICAL ASSOCIATION HAS EXPRESSED ITS HOPE THAT THE INTERNATIONAL ASTRONAUTICAL FEDERATION WILL GO AHEAD WITH PLANS TO HOLD THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL MEETING IN BEIJING. THE FEDERATION'S EXECUTIVE BOARD IS MEETING IN PARIS TO DECIDE IF THE VENUE FOR THE MEETING SHOULD BE CHANGED.

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